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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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TAXANES, AND SIDECHAIN-BEARING TAXANES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, insert the following paragraph:

-- This is a continuation of 08/440,291, May 12, 1995, pending, which is a divisional of 08/320,628, October 11, 1994, abandoned, which is a continuation of 08/033,598, March 19, 1993, abandoned.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 6.

REMARKS

A cross-reference to the parent application has been added and a claim has been canceled. Entry of the amendments is requested.

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